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- [ ] C. after (A) and (B) above, but before final rejection or allowance, and Applicant has made the necessary certification (box "i" below) or paid the necessary fee (box "i" below):
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